

**OFFICIAL WARNING**



**VIOLATION OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS**

CASE NO.

**MN150001**

VIOLATOR

Customer# 32767  
Certificate# 41-A-0434  
Julie Engelmeyer  
D N A Rabbitry

ADDRESS (Street, City, State, Zip Code)

22252 Grant St NW  
Elk River, MN 55530

The Department of Agriculture has evidence that on or about **December 27, 2013, July 7, 2014** you or your organization committed the following violation of Federal Regulations:

**9 CFR, SECTION**

**Failure to**

**2.40(b)(2)**

- Each dealer or exhibitor shall establish and maintain programs of adequate veterinary care that include: The use of appropriate methods to prevent, control, diagnose, and treat diseases and injuries, and the availability of emergency, weekend, and holiday care.

(\*\*When rabbit (ID number CS12) attempted to move about its enclosure, both legs were splayed out to the side, in an abnormal position with the right leg being the most splayed. The fur on the rear and tail of the rabbit was discolored and dark brown in color. The tail was positioned left of center in an abnormal manner as the rabbit attempted to move about its enclosure.

\*\*Rabbit (ID number CS14) was unable to move and was laying in a stretched out position on its four feet with the rear legs extended slightly further back. The fur of the rabbit's entire rear had a wet and slimy appearance, deep dark brown in color and when the licensee repositioned the rabbit, a section of this discolored fur pulled off. There was a presence of moggots on the rabbit where the discolored fur was noted.)

**3.56(c)**

- Premises (buildings and grounds) shall be kept clean and in good repair in order to protect the animals from injury and to facilitate the prescribed husbandry practices. Premises shall remain free of accumulations of trash.

(There were a number of empty enclosures throughout the facility with excessive hair, cobwebs and dust built up on the surfaces of the wire. At least two empty enclosures still had feed in the food receptacles. The waist high plastic cabinet in the corner of the room had accumulation of clutter on top of the cabinet including soiled rags, batteries, fly ribbon and garbage. The garbage can next to the cabinet was overflowing with trash. A large tub next to the animal facility contained standing water and aluminum cans, and the vegetation along the shed was overgrown.)

Titles 7 & 9 Code of Federal Regulations were promulgated to help prevent the spread of animal and plant pests and diseases and assure the humane treatment of animals. Since violations of the regulations can have serious and costly impact detrimental to the public interest, you are warned of this violation. Any further violation of these regulations may result in the assessment of a civil penalty or criminal prosecution. If you have any questions concerning this warning or violation, please contact the listed APHIS Official.

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